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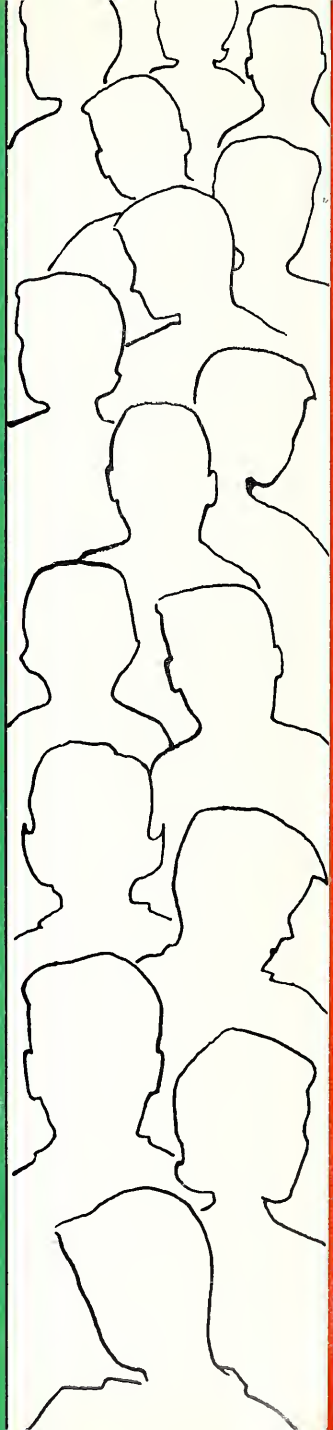
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Ben F. Geyer Junior High School
Fort Wayne, Indiana

“The Love Of Books, The Golden Key That Opens The Enchanted Door”



We, the students of Ben F. Geyer Junior High School, are many shapes and sizes. John Newby and Greg Tudor represent the extremes. Just as we vary in size, our interests are also varied. Our school's fine facilities and extra-curricular activities help each student to develop his own special abilities. We appreciate the help given us by our teachers as we strive to gain knowledge and become better citizens.

The Geyer library is a familiar place to students seeking information and help in preparing their lessons.





Exercising their mental powers, Mrs. Finnell's Algebra 1 Class solves the equation $4x+7 = 3(x+4)$.



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This year's Christmas program was made possible through the combined efforts of the music and dramatic departments. John Markoff and Ravenna Hapner portray the lovers in "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

Thanks to Geyer's enthusiastic salesmen, our candy sale was highly successful.

Mrs. Kathryn Tierney's homeroom gets into the spirit of giving as they adopt a needy family at Christmas-time.



FACULTY





Principal

Mr. Cecil Rice

Geyer is very fortunate to have such a fine principal as Mr. Cecil Rice. A principal's job is much more work than most of us realize. Mr. Rice's main job is that of being an educational leader in the school. He plans the school program and helps not only the teachers, but the students, as well. Mr. Rice has been a principal for 19 years. He enjoys such things as boating and swimming, but he also has a woodworking shop in his home. Mr. Rice was born in southeastern Indiana and attended Indiana State, Indiana University, Indiana Central, and the University of Cincinnati. He and Mrs. Rice have one daughter. We, at Geyer, owe Mr. Rice a debt of gratitude for his invaluable services as the principal of our school, for he is the one who keeps things running smoothly.

Staff Assistant Mr. Kenneth Rapp

Mr. Rapp's main task is to counsel students on their school plans and problems. In addition many administrative duties fall on his shoulders. He attended Ball State Teachers College and Purdue University. He has three children.





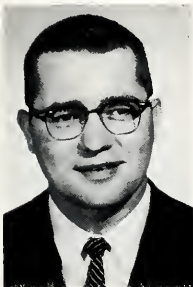
Marvoline Schlecht

French
English



Rita Rush

Reading
English



Thomas Gordon

Language Arts



Kathryn Tierney

Reading
Language

Language



Department



Mary O'Bear

Latin
Language Arts
Science



Helen Solero

Language Arts



Robert Lewandowski

Spanish
Librarian



Mildred Reisner

Oral Training



Ronald Smith

Biology
Science



Julia Dunn

Science
Algebra
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Max Lake

Science
Math



Richard Miller

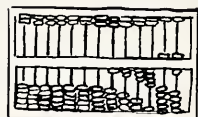
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Colleen Finnell

Algebra
General Math

Math



Roger Scott

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Harry Decker

Social Studies



Nancy Miller

Social Studies

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Glenn Cunningham

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English



Edra Smiley

Instrumental Music



Joy Helm

Art
General Music

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Grace Drummond

Choir
General Music
second semester



Leola Bingham

Choir
General Music
first semester



Ruth Gumper

Homeplanning
English

Home Arts



Homer Buzzard

Industrial Arts
General Math



Lou Geller

Home Arts
Science



Elizabeth Fielder

Physical Education
Health

Physical Education



Bill Twitchell

Physical Education
Health



Mildred Nading

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Betty Heath



CAFETERIA STAFF

Kathleen Butler, Flora Stotlar, Donna Larimore,
Genevieve Hemlinger, and Edith Anderson.



SCHOOL DOCTOR

Dr. Richard Laker



John Walters



Fred Mahlan



Velma Fryback



Willard Lightcap



Delbert Westerman

CUSTODIANS

ACTIVITIES





The Concert Band is a great asset to our school. They play for P.T.A. meetings, add school spirit for our home basketball games, present school assembly programs, and give special concerts during the year.



Geyer is very fortunate in having a full-fledged Dance Band to play for their dances.



Our school Orchestra, having seventh, eighth, and ninth graders, plays quite often at P.T.A. meetings and school assemblies.



Dr. Edra Smiley is the genial conductor of all the instrumental groups at Geyer School. Under her direction the students achieve excellent proficiency for their young years.

The Cadet Band, composed of thirty-four seventh graders, plays for some of our basketball games and P.T.A. meetings.





Mr. Cecil Rice, Mr. Lou Geller, and Carden Henn accompany the combined Concert and Cadet Choirs at a Fall Concert for the student body.

Both choirs led by Mrs. Leola Bingham at the piano perform during the Christmas Program. Mrs. Bingham directed the groups during the first semester, while Mrs. Grace Drummond was second semester conductor.



Service Groups



The Student Council members, selected by their classmates, govern our school and sponsor many worthwhile activities during the year. Mr. Kenneth Rapp sponsors the group.



The Projectionist Club, under Mr. Max Lake, learns to operate all film equipment and is responsible for handling projectors in all classes.

The Publications Department Keeps Us Posted On School Activities



The members of the Annualette Staff and their sponsor, Mrs. Joy Helm, spend many hours planning pictures and copy for the annual-ette, the "Blazer." The editors are Nancy Shoaff and Trina Tieman.

The Newspaper Club is under the direction of Mrs. Helen Solero, Mrs. Kathryn Tierney, and Mr. Thomas Gordon. Students in the club display their journalistic skill in the monthly "Geyser." Mark Gremaux is editor-in-chief with Linda Trott as associate editor.





The Top Teen Club, sponsored by Mr. Homer Buzzard and Miss Nancy Miller, plans the monthly dances. Members of the club make decorations and sell refreshments to earn points.



The Booster Club with Mr. Harry Decker and Mrs. Rita Rush as sponsors plays a vital role in boosting our athletic teams. Members of the club give of their time and talent to encourage good sportsmanship and school spirit.



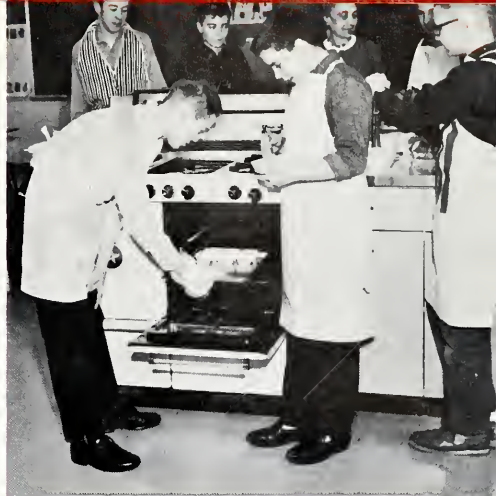
The Science Club is hard at work changing today's students into tomorrow's scientists.

"Ici on parle français," Mrs. Schlecht poses with her French Club, Les causeurs.



Fingers fly and typewriters click as the Typing Club practice their exercises.

In the Math Club, Mrs. Colleen Finnell shows Darcy Hartzog and Donald Straw how to use the slide rule.



A delicious aroma comes from the Home Economics room as the Boys' Home Planning Club prepare their after school snacks. The group is sponsored by Mrs. Ruth Gumpper.

The Library Science Club helps Geyer students in the use of the library. Mr. Robert Lewandowski is their sponsor.



It's a basket! Geyer students cheer the Blazers on to victory.



**Varsity Football
1962 - 63**

	They	We
Northwood	19	7
Portage	21	0
Franklin	6	6
Fairfield	6	6
Harrison Hill	0	0
Kekionga	0	7



Sink it, Darryl, sink it !



SPORTS



We Cheer On



Fight, Team, Fight! Mary Harding, Janeen Badgley, Debbie Beach, and Bev Rhoades encourage the Reserve Team.



These are the boys who have earned letters

Mr. Bill Twitchell and Mr. Lou Geller coach the boys of all grades in intramural activities after school.



Our Lettermen



etics through hard work and determination.



Go, Blazers, Go! Janie Bourie, Doris Parke, and Cathy Coplen' cheer at the varsity games.

The Girls' Athletic Association, composed of seventh, eighth, and ninth grade girls, enjoys many sports during those seventh periods of play. Miss Elizabeth Fielder is on hand to teach the rules.





Our Varsity Basketball Team, coached by Mr. Ronald Smith, worked hard to lead us to victory.

Our future in basketball depends on these boys of the Reserve Basketball Team. Their coach is Mr. Lou Geller.





Mike Fraizer led the scoring for the Varsity Football Team. Darryl Jones was second. Coach Bill Twitchell led them to one victory, three ties, and two loses.

The Reserve Football Team lost to Harrison Hill, 21-7, and tied with Kekionga, 7-7.





This is the hard hitting Flag Football Team that broke the losing streak after two years of hard work. Mr. Thomas Gordon was coach.



Captain Darryl Jones talks with the referee.



The 1962 Track season brought Geyer the Southern Division Championship in the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades. A lot of hard work is ahead this spring to defend the Divisional Crown. Mr. Bill Twitchell coached these boys.

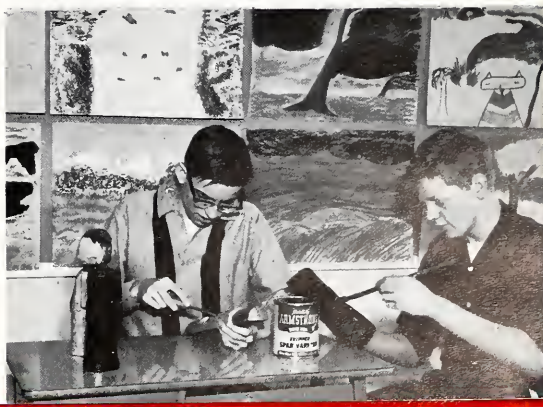
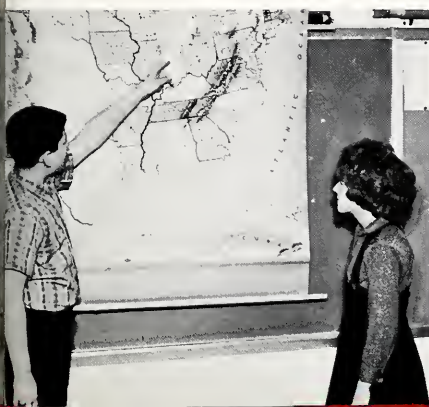


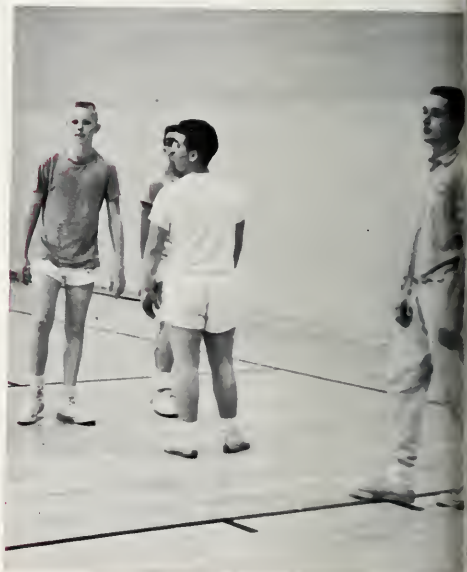
Cross Country meets were held with Franklin, Lakeside, Kekionga, and Portage. Don Dixon won first place in all these meets. Mr. Bill Twitchell was coach.

Larry Carroll cleans the football equipment.



CLASSES





Ninth Grade



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Adamson, Mary



Andrews, Diana



Arnold, Becky



Arnold, Diane



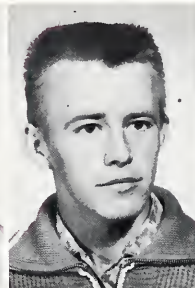
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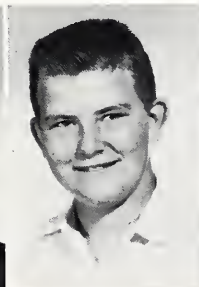
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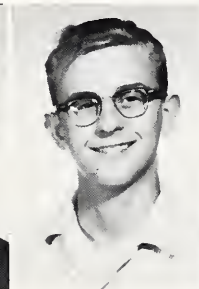
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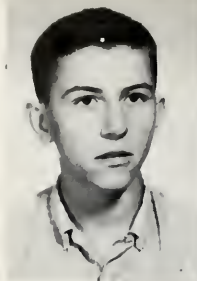
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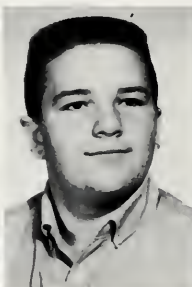
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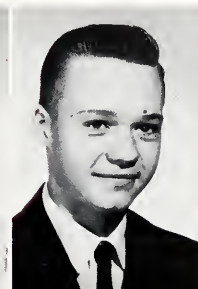
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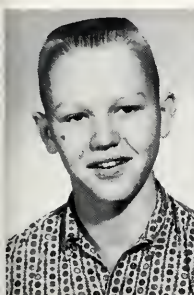
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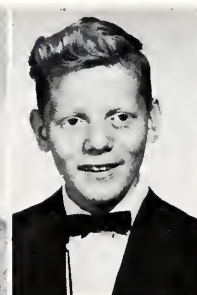
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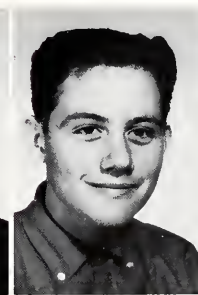
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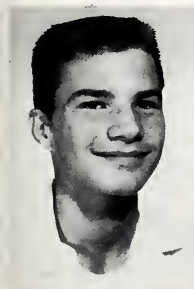
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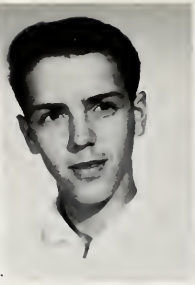
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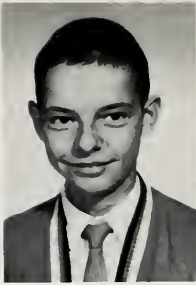
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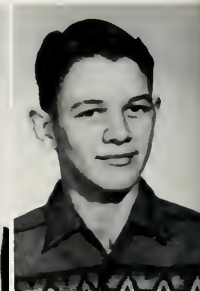
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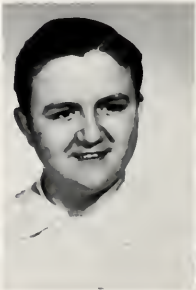
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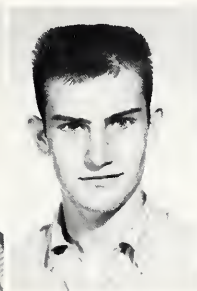
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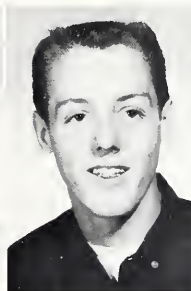
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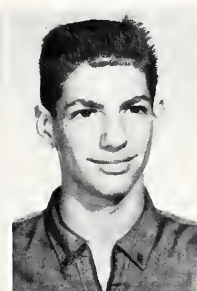
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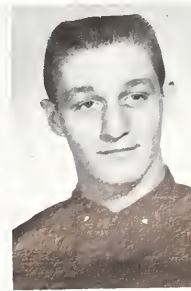
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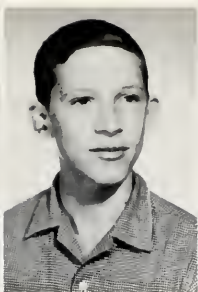
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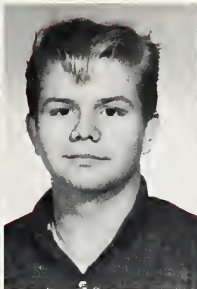
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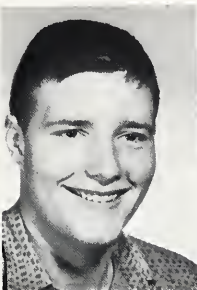
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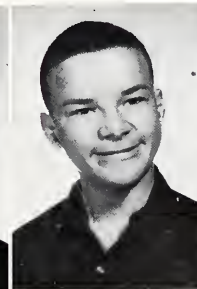
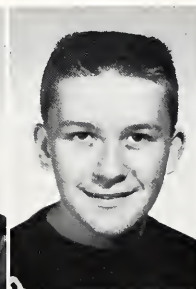
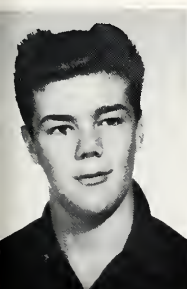
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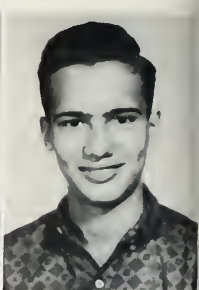
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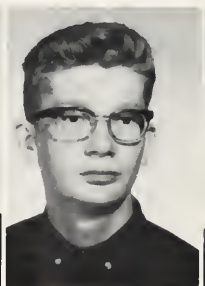
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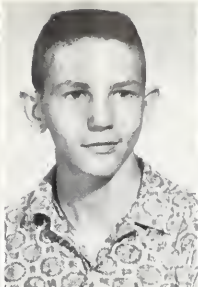
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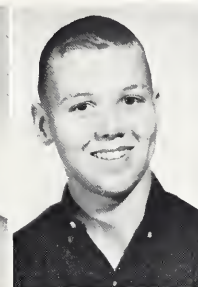
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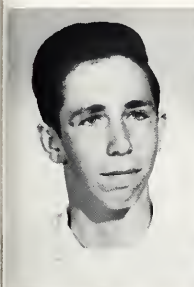
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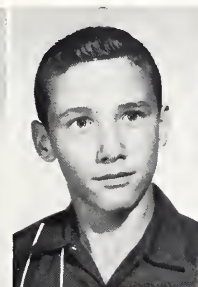
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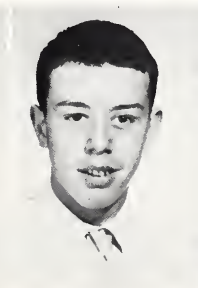
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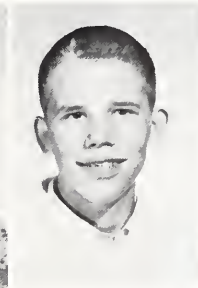
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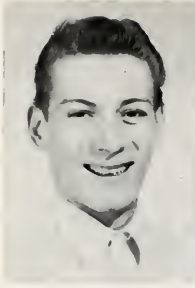
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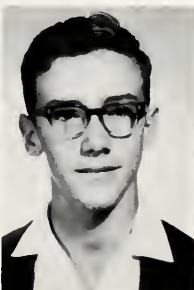
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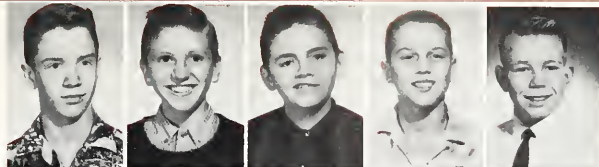
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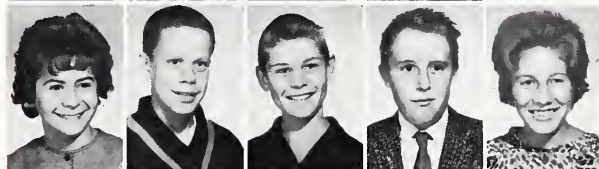
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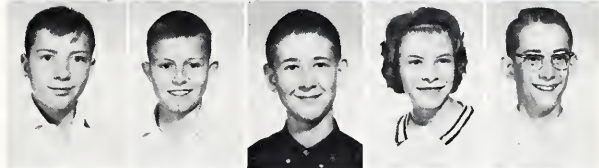
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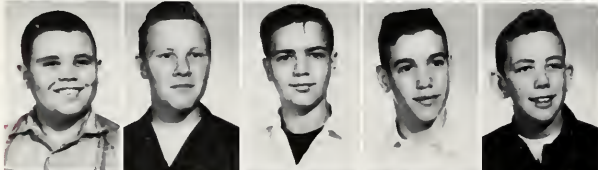
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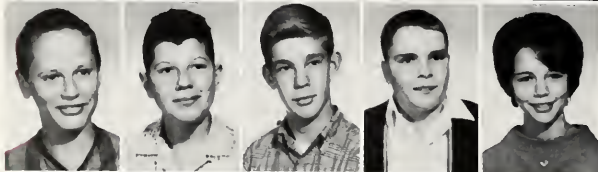
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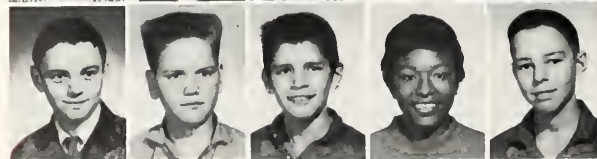
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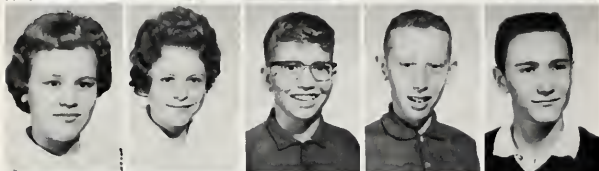


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